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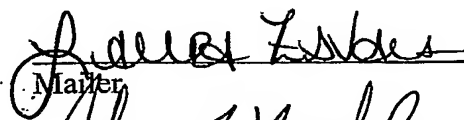
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INVENTION TITLE Common Radio Architecture for Multi-mode / Multi-band Applications

## DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

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**General purpose of the invention.** State in general terms or summarize what the objectives of the inventions are. The proliferation of wireless access standards proves to be inconvenient and challenging for wireless terminal manufacturers. Further, end user expectations of a ubiquitous network cannot be met with terminals that support only a subset of the possible standards. In response, wireless systems are transitioning to the concept of a Software Defined Radio (SDR) to provide common hardware platforms for multiple air technologies. This SDR concept taking in mind its applications in handset / mobile terminals environment has to take into consideration factors like current consumption as well as lower component count to conserve board space. At the same time, it is the intention to achieve roaming among the supported standards and this challenges the SDR receiver to facilitate faster searches and handoffs.

Through continual advancement of semiconductor process technology, an increasingly greater percentage of these signal processing functions may be performed in reconfigurable hardware such as field programmable gate arrays (FPGAs) since these devices are capable of performing digital signal processing (DSP) functions at very high speed while consuming lower power than a traditional DSP processor. However, the current consumption does vary proportionately with the processing speed and to further reduce the power consumption of the SDR, this invention proposed a Near Zero-IF (NZIF) RF receiver frontend configuration to achieve a lower IF frequency and reducing the processing rate of the Digital IF (DIF) receiver.

The below described invention provides a method for achieving a lower sampling rate at IF by means of a NZIF RF receiver, while maintaining the Digital Signal Processing functions at IF. Further, typical embodiments of the design are discussed for clarity.

**Description of the invention in detail (Including its operation, purpose, environment and how problems are solved).**

The invention disclosed by this form puts in place a design that provides signal processing hardware up to IF frequency in a wireless terminal receiver that may be reconfigured to cater for multi-mode operations and a RF receiver frontend that performs a Near Zero IF down conversion using a broadband image reject downconverter. This invention also allows the implementation of a dual identical receiver for more efficient searching algorithm to facilitate roaming. Thus, as a user travels to regions that support varied wireless standards the same terminal can be used. The twin receiver architecture also permits remote reconfiguration of the IF filter and the IF.

Figure 1 illustrates a high level view of a wireless terminal. The Processor and Modem block are typically general purpose or semi-custom devices that can essentially change characteristics based on a new software load. It describes a broadband RF image reject downconverter that caters for multi-band operations bringing the input signal to near zero IF frequency to a configurable anti-alias filter before the ADC.

Figures 2 presents the 3 broadband LNAs and selection switches base on the band of operation or search as well as an IF frequency band with image rejection coming solely from the broadband mixer. Figure 3 describes the IF variable gain amplifier with both configurable BPF blocking filter and BPF anti-aliasing filter.

The general process can be illustrated with the example described hereafter. A PCS signal at the antenna will be selectively routed to the 1800MHz ~ 1900MHz band switchable gain LNA for signal amplification. A single image reject broadband mixer will downconvert the signal to an IF frequency of 10MHz. It will pass through a configurable Band Pass Filter (BPF) to remove interferers. A variable gain amplifier will adjust the signal to an optimized predetermined level for the ADC after another

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configurable anti-alias BPF. The ADC can sample the signal at 40 MSps.

With the example embodiment and procedure described below, the disclosed invention achieves a multi-band, multi-mode receiver with optimize current requirement that is remote configurable, and capable of searching by signal strength measurements.

A primary feature of the invention is the use of a broadband NZIF RF receiver to achieve a low sample rate DIF design for current conservation. It is achieved using configurable BPF for necessary blocking and anti-aliasing functions. The image reject broadband high linearity mixer is a critical block in the RF design. This novel architecture allows the receiver to perform DSP functions like RSSI measurement for searching while optimizing the current.

An example receiver procedure for the wireless terminal in search mode:

- a) Base on an established search algorithm, the appropriate band LNA is selected via the switchplexer.
- b) The appropriate switch is activated to connect the single broadband image reject mixer to the selected LNA.
- c) The synthesizer sweeps through the channels for the band.
- d) The blocking BPF is configured through the score of predetermined channel bandwidths.
- e) Digital IF section reconfigures base on each mode such as GSM/GPRS/EDGE, CDMA, WCDMA, 802.11.
- f) The RSSI is determined after the Digital Channel Filter.
- g) Once determined that the signal strength exceeds the signal engaged at the primary receiver, the synthesizer is locked on to this channel.
- h) Modem performs mode identification and reconfiguring the anti-alias BPF.

3. Describe the prior art, method or performance, of the invention (Including any related publicly available documentation, such as journal articles or patents).

In the current state of the art, there are no known combinations of a NZIF RF with a DIF receiver. The lack of such prior art motivates the development of this combination platform. For instance, the state of wireless terminal development has been such that differing wireless standards required different hardware, and that the implementation of conventional Analog-to-Digital at higher frequencies for a configurable hardware proof too taxing on the current consumption budget.

Current design uses a ZIF platform that has the entire receiver frontend in analog. This configuration makes it impractical for the receiver to measure the receive signal strength that the baseband modem can use. Also, the direct downconverter designed in today's ZIF architecture is narrowband. Other intentions seek to digitize at RF frequency, which will also means higher current requirements. Therefore, a prime focus of the disclosed invention is to exploit the broad bandwidth image reject mixer design of the RF analog frontend to cater for multiple bands at lower current consumption, as well as the configurability of the IF filters and the digital IF operating at lower sampling rate and therefore lower current consumption.

What are the potential applications and/or markets for this invention?

Multi-mode and Multi-band Wireless Applications

What are the features that are believed to be new, novel and non-obvious?

A SDR terminal capable of providing wireless service in areas of varied air technologies with little or no network intervention. To that end the specifics required follow.

- 1) Wireless terminal whereby IF signal processing is performed with reconfigurable blocking and anti-aliasing filters.
- 2) Using a Near Zero-IF broadband RF to meet low processing rate of the Digital IF for low current consumption.

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- 3) A single broadband image reject mixer to drastically reduce external filters, and I/Os of ASIC resulting in an optimize package and die size.
- 4) Rf supports multi-band, and SDR supports multi-mode.

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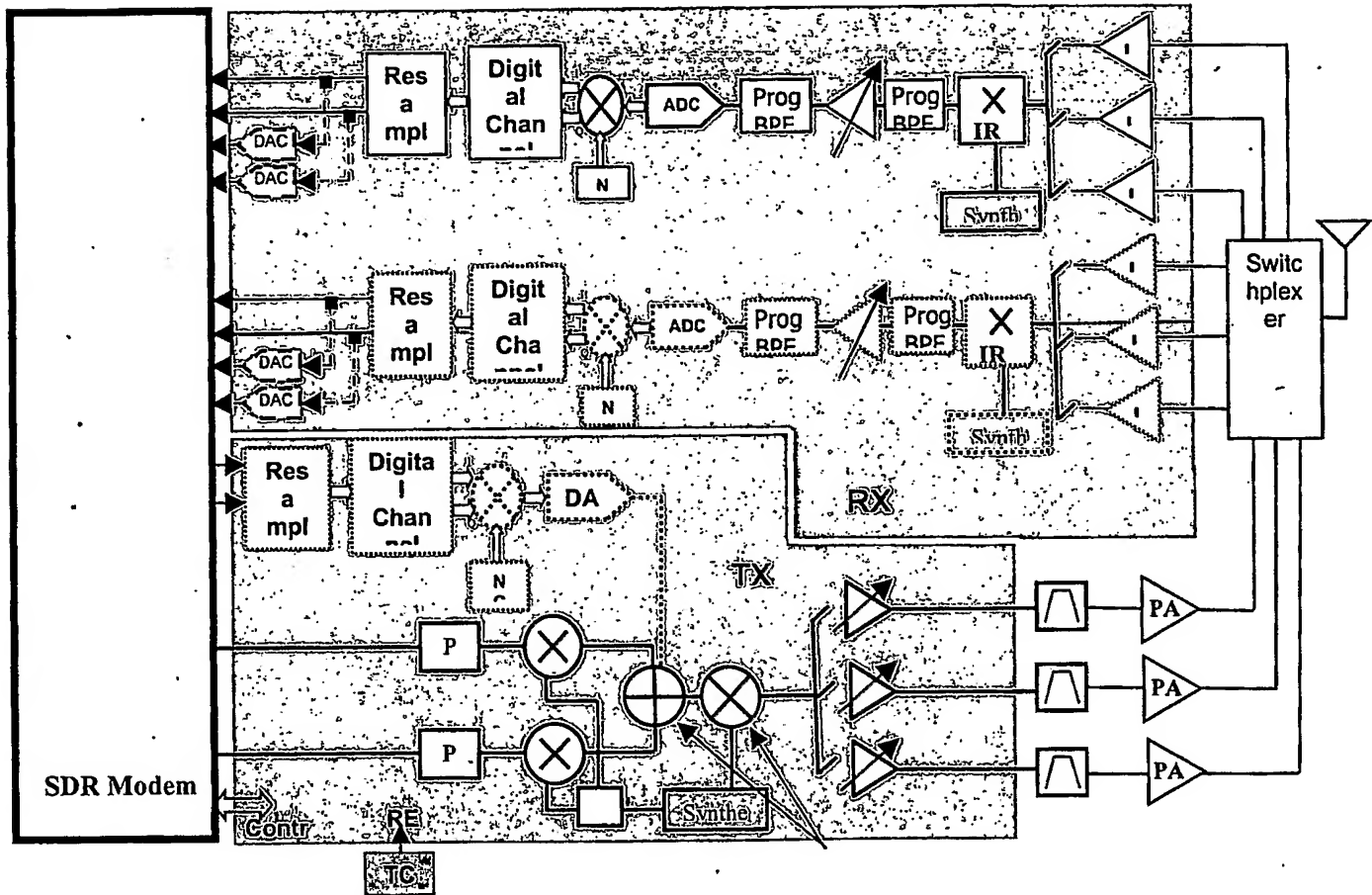


FIGURE 1

Typical Terminal Functionality



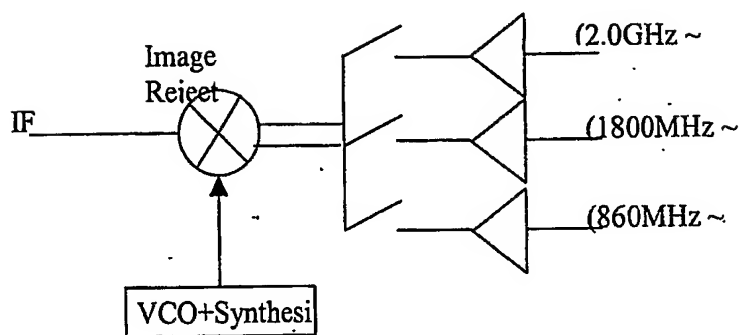


FIGURE 2

Broadband LNA and Image  
Reject Mixer



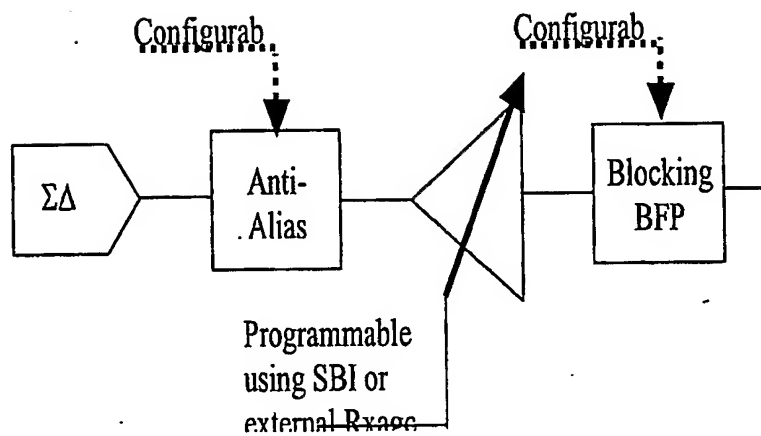


FIGURE 3

IF Variable Gain Amplifier  
and Configurable BPF